

WHAT'S IN MY KITCHEN CUPBOARD?

SUMMARY

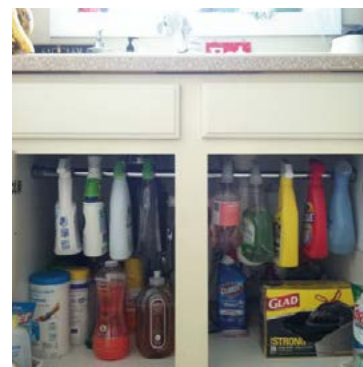
A range of mixtures found in the kitchen cupboard provide an interesting starting point for thinking about which products may be dangerous if care is not taken when using. Children are introduced to new vocabulary and definitions associated with hazards before designing their own warning labels to compare with those used conventionally. The activity concludes with children sorting and grouping common products before and after revealing internationally recognised warning symbols.

OBJECTIVES

- To show an understanding of new vocabulary by designing symbols to represent warnings
- To talk about criteria for grouping, sorting and classifying mixtures found in a kitchen cupboard

To be able to:

- Recognise the symbols used on household products which alert the user to the potential hazards of misusing products



SCIENCE VOCABULARY

Mixture	Product	Safety
Hazard	Warning	Toxic
Harmful	Corrosive	Irritant
Highly Flammable	Explosive	

RESOURCES (IN BRIEF)

- Collection of empty containers from household products with hazard warning labels covered (using squares of paper or card)
- Hoops or string (for sorting)

PRIOR KNOWLEDGE/EXPERIENCE

Children should have opportunities to compare and group materials together, looking closely at their similarities and difference.